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Applicant(s) : Vishnu K. Agarwal
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The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,723,596 and an issue date of April 20, 2004.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of April 20, 2004:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,723,596 to VISHNU K. AGARWAL of IDAHO for DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE appearing in the Official Gazette of April 20, 2004, should be deleted since no patent was granted."

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